UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA FORT MYERS DIVISION

KYLE A. CAVALIERE,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No. 2:21-cv-323-JES-NPM

COMCAST CORPORATION,

Defendant.

ORDER

Before the Court is Plaintiff Kyle Cavaliere's Motion for Permission to Participate in Electronic Case Filing (Doc. 2). The Middle District of Florida requires pro se litigants to "file paper originals of all complaints, pleadings, motions, affidavits, briefs, and other documents," unless authorized by the judge. *Administrative Procedures for Electronic Filing* §§ B(4), E(6) (Feb. 1, 2021). "Pro se litigants are generally denied access to electronic filing unless extenuating circumstances exist to justify waiving CM/ECF procedures." *Huminski v. Vermont*, No. 2:13-cv-692-FtM-29, 2014 WL 169848, *4 (M.D. Fla. Jan. 15, 2014); *see also McMahon v. Cleveland Clinic Found. Police Dep't*, 455 F. App'x 874, 878 (11th Cir. 2011) (affirming denial of CM/ECF access for pro se litigants).

The Court notes that any member of the public has the ability to access electronic records of the federal courts by registering online with PACER. As provided on the Court's Guide for Proceeding Without a Lawyer:

If you have internet access, you may also register for PACER (Public Access to Court Electronic Records) and view and print the documents for your case. To register, go to the PACER registration page on the PACER website (www.pacer.gov) or call (800) 676-6856. Using PACER may cost \$.10 per printed page. PACER will give you details when you register. Problems with PACER should be addressed to PACER, not to the court.

Guide for Proceeding Without a Lawyer, p. 13 (Oct. 13, 2020) (available at https://www.flmd.uscourts.gov/litigants-without-lawyers). Also, litigants without access to CM/ECF may currently file documents using the following link: https://apps.flmd.uscourts.gov/cmecf/filings.cfm.

Accordingly, it is hereby **ORDERED**:

1) The Motion for Permission to Participate in Electronic Case Filing (Doc. 2) is **DENIED**.

ORDERED in Fort Myers, Florida on May 19, 2021.

NICHOLAS P. MIZELL
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

¹ This form was made available after former President Trump declared a national emergency on March 13, 2020.